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SUBJ: SADAT VISIT TO ALGIERS

1. HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESIDENT SADAT'S OVERNIGHT VISIT TO ALGIERS JANUARY 21-22 WERE FOUR HOURS OF TALKS WITH PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE AND SADAT'S PRESS CONFERENCE JAN. 22 (FBIS CARRIES PARTIAL TEXT). SADAT AFFIRMED TO PRESS: (A) THAT NEXT STEP IS DISENGAGEMENT ON SYRIAN FRONT; (B) THAT PARTICIPATION OF A PALESTINIAN DELEGATION AT GENEVA IS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE FOR EGYPT ; AND (C) THAT EFFORTS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER WERE VITAL TO DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT AND THAT U.S., WHILE RESPECTING
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ITS COMMITMENT TO MAINTAIN BALANCE OF FORCES IN ISRAEL'S

FAVOR, HAS ADOPTED NEW POLICY TOWARD ME.

2. LOCAL DIPLOMATS ARE INTERPRETING SADAT'S LATTER STATEMENT AS EGYPTIAN ENDORSEMENT FOR LIFTING OIL EMBARGO AGAINST US EVEN THOUGH WHAT SADAT ACTUALLY SAID WAS THAT THIS DECISION WOULD BE UP TO ARAB OIL PRODUCING STATES THEMSELVES. EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR NAGUIB HAMED EL SADR, SEEMED PLEASED WITH VISIT WHEN I SAW HIM ON EVENING OF SADAT'S DEPARTURE, BUT HE OFFERED NO DETAILS. EL SADR, WHO HAS BEEN IN ALGIERS OVER FIVE YEARS AND IS DEAN OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS, SAID HE WOULD BE LEAVING SHORTLY TO EXCHANGE POSITIONS WITH PRESENT UNDERSECRETARY RESPONSIBLE FOR NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA IN EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY.
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